Scooby-Doo and the Ghoul School

Scooby-Doo and the Ghoul School is a 1988 animated comedy horror television film produced by Hanna-Barbera for syndication as part of the *Hanna-Barbera Superstars 10* series.[2] It is the second full-length film in the Scooby-Doo franchise.

The film was followed by *Scooby-Doo! and the Reluctant Werewolf* in 1988, with the five girl ghouls making their return in the *OK K.O.! Let's Be Heroes* episode "Monster Party" in 2018.

Plot

Scooby-Doo, Shaggy, and Scrappy-Doo are on their way to Miss Grimwood's Finishing School for Girls, where they have been hired as gym teachers. However, once there, they find that it is actually a school for daughters of paranormal beings. The pupils include Sibella, the daughter of Count Dracula; Elsa Frankenteen, the daughter of Frankenteen Sr.; Winnie, the daughter of the Wolfman; Phantasma (usually called Phanty for short) the ghostly daughter of a phantom; and Tanis (named after an Egyptian city), the daughter of the Mummy. Other residents include a disembodied floating white hand; an octopus butler; a two-headed shark that lives in the school's moat; Legs, a spider that helps with the upcoming volleyball match; Miss Grimwood, the headmistress; and her diminutive pet dragon Matches. Frightened by this, Shaggy and Scooby are initially hesitant, but they ultimately agree to stay as gym teachers, as the girls quickly take a liking to them.

At the annual volleyball match against the boys of the neighboring Calloway Military Academy, the boys rig the volleyball with a remote control in the hopes of cheating to win. However, Scooby accidentally swallows the remote, which allows the girls to win instead.

The girls' fathers then come for an open house party on Halloween night. Although Scooby and Shaggy are extremely fearful of being trapped in a house full of ghosts and monsters, the fathers are friendly and polite, and the party is a success. Before leaving, the fathers warn a terrified Shaggy and Scooby not to let any harm come to their daughters, lest they face severe consequences.

A power-hungry witch named Revolta and her minion the Grim Creeper then plan to kidnap the girls and convert them into her slaves. She starts by hypnotizing Shaggy into taking the girls on a field trip to the Barren Bog. Matches wants to come along, but is told to stay. The Calloway Cadets are also at the bog on a hike of their own and get stuck in quicksand, but are saved by Elsa and Tanis. Meanwhile, Revolta's spider bats slowly capture the girls one by one, as Revolta brews a potion that will turn the girls evil forever at the stroke of midnight. Having figured out what's going on, Scooby, Scrappy, Shaggy and Matches, who catches up with them, all head for Revolta's castle. Along the way, Scrappy tries to convince the Cadets to join them, but the boys refuse, believing that the girls stole the volleyball match. Arriving at the castle, the gang faces an evil Mirror Monster that can change its shape to look like evil versions of those who look at its mirror, a giant Well Dweller, and Revolta herself. When the clock strikes midnight, Revolta gives the girls the potion through hairdryers, which instantly takes effect. However, Scooby and Shaggy interrupt the process and accidentally reverse the potion's effect. Elsa then throws Revolta's wand into the potion, which causes it to explode. The Cadets, having felt remorse for treating the girls poorly and respecting them for saving their lives, arrive in a pedal power helicopter and fly everyone to safety, as Revolta swears vengeance.

Soon afterward, the Cadets and the Grimwood Girls throw a party celebrating Revolta's defeat and everyone's heroism. Despite being well liked by all their students, Shaggy and Scooby run away in terror when three new monsters – an alien, the Gill-man and Godzilla – enroll their daughters at the school for the following year. As they leave, they see the girls and Matches waving goodbye. Shaggy, Scooby and Scrappy then give them a last werewolf howl before driving off into the night.

Voice cast

- Casey Kasem as Norville "Shaggy" Rogers, Mirror Monster Shaggy
- Don Messick as Scooby-Doo, Scrappy-Doo
- Remy Auberjonois as Baxter
- Susan Blu as Sibella Dracula
- Hamilton Camp as Phantom Father
- Jeff B. Cohen as Grunt
- Glynis Johns as Ms. Grimwood
- Zale Kessler as Daddy Dracula, Frankenteen Sr., Vulture #2
- Ruta Lee as Revolta
- Aaron Lohr as Miguel
- Patty Maloney as Tanis
- Scott Menville as Tug
- Pat Musick as Elsa Frankenteen
- Bumper Robinson as Jamal
- Ronnie Schell as Colonel Calloway
- Marilyn Schreffler as Winnie
- Andre Stojka as The Grim Creeper, Mummy Daddy, Vulture #1
- Russi Taylor as "Phanty" Phantasma
- Frank Welker as Matches, Papa Werewolf, Well Dweller, Spider Batts, Legs, Two-Headed Shark

Home media

Scooby-Doo and the Ghoul School was first released on VHS by Hanna-Barbera Home Video on October 5, 1989, and later it was released by Warner Home Video on March 6, 2001.

Warner Home Video released *Scooby-Doo and the Ghoul School* on DVD in Region 1 on June 4, 2002[3] in honor of the theatrical release of the first live-action Scooby-Doo film later that month. The film has also been released on DVD in Region 2.

A manufacture-on-demand Blu-ray was released as an individual title and as part of the *Hanna-Barbera Superstars 10* boxset through Warner Archive Collection on February 20, 2024.[4] The film was remastered in HD.

Follow-up film

A follow-up film, *Scooby-Doo! and the Reluctant Werewolf*, was released on November 13, 1988.

See also

- List of films set around Halloween

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Scooby-Doo and the Ghoul School

Release poster featuring from left to right, Tanis, Shaggy, Scooby and Elsa

Based on	Characters by Hanna-Barbera Productions
Written by	Glenn Leopold
Directed by	Charles A. Nichols
Voices of	Don Messick Casey Kasem Glynis Johns Susan Blu Pat Musick Russi Taylor Marilyn Schreffler Patty Maloney Frank Welker Ronnie Schell Ruta Lee
Opening theme	William Hanna
Composer	Sven Libaek
Country of origin	United States
Original language	English
Production	
Executive producers	William Hanna Joseph Barbera
Producers	Bob Hathcock Berny Wolf
Editor	Gil Iverson
Running time	92 minutes
Production companies	Hanna-Barbera Productions Wang Film Productions
Original release	
Network	Syndication
Release	October 16, 1988[1]
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Scooby-Doo Meets the Boo Brothers
Scooby-Doo and the Reluctant Werewolf